

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A content recording/erasing apparatus includes a hard disk. An unnecessary MPEG file recorded on the hard disk is intermittently erased part by part in parallel with a normal recording process. It is noted that prior to a start of erasing the unnecessary  
5 MPEG file, time length data relating to a total amount of an actual remaining amount of the hard disk and the unnecessary MPEG file is set in a remaining amount register, and a setting value is periodically subtracted.